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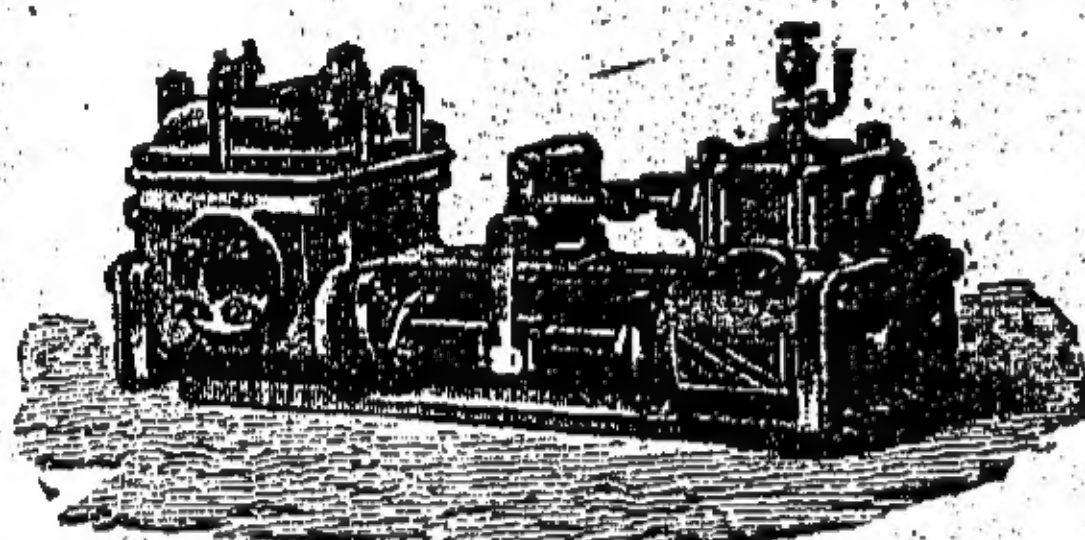
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St. Leon, Tonic	18.00	18.00	18.00

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## MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

8.30 p.m.—Meeting of Lodge St. John.  
Amusements.  
9 p.m.—Performance by the Mr. Henry Dallas Musical Comedy Co., in the City Hall.

## Miscellaneous.

Goods for Nanking not cleared at 4 p.m. subject to rent.

## General Memoranda.

THURSDAY, March 14:  
Noon.—Meeting of Shareholders of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., at the Company's Office, No. 2, Cantonment Road.  
Noon.—Auction of 5 Lady's Columbia Bicycles, by Mr. G. P. Lammert.  
FRIDAY, March 15:  
Goods per Adria undelivered after this date subject to rent.

SATURDAY, March 16:  
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Chinese Porcelain, Bronzes and Embroideries, by Mr. G. P. Lammert.  
5.30 p.m.—Meeting of Persimmon Lodge.  
Goods per Hamburg undelivered after this date subject to rent.

## ADVERTISEMENTS.

THE Attention of Advertisers is drawn to the latest Hours for receiving Advertisements and Corrections to Advertisements.

Alterations and additions to Advertisements on Pages 1 and 4, should be sent to this Office not later than 10 a.m. New Advertisements should be sent in before 3 p.m.

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## DEATH.

On the 4th March, in England, Joseph Farbridge, aged 66 years. (By telegram).

The publication of this issue commenced at 5.45 p.m.

## The China Mail.

HONGKONG, MONDAY, MARCH 11, 1901.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

**H.M.S. 'Hart.'**  
We learn that the *Hart* has reached Sanshui in safety, and when we consider that this torpedo-destroyer is 200 feet long, and the creeks in the West River are not negotiable as they might be, it reflects credit upon all concerned that all went well on the occasion.

**Mourning for the late Queen.**  
According to a Circular Despatch from Downing Street, published in the *Gazette*, the public are notified that, after 6th March, it will not be desired or expected that they should appear in deep mourning, but that half-mourning should be worn until the 17th April next.

**The French at Mengtsu.**  
A correspondent of the *Courrier d'Indochine* describes the journey of the French officials returning to Mengtsu from Tonkin, where they had sought refuge during the troubles of last year. All the Chinese officials have taken measures for the safety of the Frenchmen, and Chinese regulars are told off for their protection wherever they go.

**Stamp Revenue.**  
The return of stamp revenue during the past month shows that the total increase compared with February of last year, was \$6,681.08. The principal items of increase were:—Conveyance or Assignment, \$8,019.00; Adhesive Stamps, \$846.32; Mortgage, \$724.60; Bills of Exchange, \$676.85. The main decreases were:—Settlement, \$1,350.00; Transfer of shares, \$1,138.30; Bank-note duty, \$948.77; Policy of Insurance, \$384.43.

**Meteorological Observations.**  
According to the meteorological observations made at the Hongkong Observatory during the past month, the highest temperature recorded was 88.3, and the lowest 38.4. The mean temperature for the month was 64.8. There were 95.6 hours of sunshine, and the rainfall totalled 0.765 of an inch. The highest velocity attained by the wind was 22.7 miles on the last day of the month, and the average speed was 11.6.

**Chang Chih-tung's Nightmare.**  
We learn from Hankow (says the *N. C. Daily News*) that H.E. Chang Chih-tung had a nightmare of some kind at China New Year, and all the soldiers were out making close search for supposed reformer rebels, even the foreign men-of-war in port being warned to be on the alert. Nothing, however, was discovered. A fortnight before he arrested ten of these supposed rebels, but only four had anything against them, and they were quite unimportant individuals. H.E. Chang Chih-tung seems to have reformers on the brain. All is perfectly quiet at Hankow.

## Tragedy at Shanghai.

The *N. C. Daily News* of the 4th inst. says:—An extraordinary story comes from the camp of the Dumbay Cavalry on the Siewai Road. Early yesterday afternoon the Ressalar-Major received a telegram from the father of one of the troopers, asking what had happened to his son, who was at the time in perfect health; but within half-an-hour the trooper in question knelt down, pulled the trigger with his fingers and blew his brains out. No one knows what reason he had for committing suicide, or why his father should have been anxious about him.

## Government Appointments.

It is notified in the *Gazette* that, pursuant to instructions from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, the offices of Colonial Secretary and Registrar-General, hold conjointly since the 28th March, 1895, will again be separated, and while the Hon. A. W. Drewin is appointed Registrar-General, the Hon. J. H. Stewart Lockhart, C.M.G., will continue to hold the office of Colonial Secretary. Mr. C. McI. Messer has been appointed Acting Colonial Treasurer and Collector of Revenue during the absence on leave of the Hon. A. M. Thomson. Dr. J. H. Swin has been appointed Acting Health Officer, and Dr. R. Gibson Deputy Health Officer of the Port during the absence on leave of Dr. G. P. Jordan. The following have been appointed temporary Inspectors of Nuisances:—Messrs W. Bond, H. McDonald, G. Powell, H. Cook, W. Rogers, B. Lowe, G. Flack, and H. Reynolds. Mr. S. R. Moore has been appointed Demarcation Officer to the Land Court.

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## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

## Notes by the Way.

Li Hung Chang is eighty years of age.

Chang Chih-tung is reported to be seriously ill.

The Census was taken at Singapore on the night of the 1st inst.

A Chinese diver was killed by accident at Aberdeen Docks on Friday.

A slight earthquake shock was felt at Kobo at 6.45 a.m. on the 1st inst.

The German Mail of the 6th February was delivered in London on the 8th inst.

A Shanghai contemporary states that the U.S. battleships *Oregon* and *Kentucky* are both going to Shanghai.

The St George's Society of Yokohama is a 'live' body. It has decided to celebrate St George's Day by a ball.

It is considered likely that Admiral Sir E. Seymour will go to Singapore to meet the Duke and Duchess of York next month.

The Ogaden South Expedition has occupied the Afmaka Trial Headquarters, unopposed. The Sultan was made a prisoner.

The King's Proclamation, continuing in their posts those holding any office at the demise of Her late Majesty Queen Victoria, is published in the *Gazette*.

It is reported that Mr. Clifford, who resigned the Governorship of British North Borneo, will revert to his old appointment of Resident of Pahang.

In the House of Commons, in answer to a question, Lord George Hamilton said that there was no present intention of altering the opium regulations.

H.M.S. *Sandpiper*, which sank in the Harbour here on 19th Nov. last, went out on a trial trip this morning, the repairs upon her having been completed.

On the 4th inst., the French troops at Shanghai were reviewed by Admiral Bayle. The weather was favourable, and the troops made a brilliant appearance.

A Wuchang telegram states that Ching Sing, Governor of Hupoh, now Tartar General-designate of Foochow, left Wuchang for Shanghai on the 6th inst.

Indian and Ceylon tea-growers and distributors have petitioned Sir Michael Hicks-Beach to remove two-pence in the War Tax on tea, and to equalize the scale of taxation on tea, coffee, and cocoa.

There were 468 European and 138 Chinese visitors to the City Hall Library, and 175 European and 2,836 Chinese visitors to the Museum during the week ending March 10th.

The Hon. A. M. Thomson, Colonial Treasurer, sailed for Marseilles by the M.M. steamer *Tonkin* to-day. Mr. W. Macleod (of Messrs Macleod and Co., Manila) was a passenger by the same steamer.

The summer came upon us on Saturday in real earnest, and a soldier who was watching the football match at Happy Valley was overcome by the heat, and had to be removed to hospital.

It is now considered doubtful whether Prince Chuang has committed suicide. The Chinese Government is trying hard to make people believe that he died at about the same time as Ying Nien, Chang Shu-ch'iao and Yu Hsien. The mandarins say that Prince Chuang had refuge in the prefectural city of Puchow, Shanai, since his flight from Peking last summer; hence he was easily arrested and made to commit suicide.

There are others, however, who say just as strongly and confidently that Prince Chuang followed Prince Tuan to Ninghsia, and that if there was anyone who gave himself out as Prince Chuang, the same must have been a bogus Prince.

## Share List.

The following alterations in our share list are noted after the hour of correction:—Hongkong Hotel, \$124, buyers; and Gas, \$130, buyers.

## Russian Reinforcements.

Singapore being declared an infected port owing to several cases of plague, instructions have been given to Colombo to the effect that the Russian squadron of battleships and cruisers, now on their way out from Cronstadt, are to avoid Singapore and to proceed direct to Hongkong.

The members of the Navy League may thus have an opportunity of comparing the *Pelorus* and *Schastliok* with the *Ocean* and *Gedink*.

## H.M.S. 'Ocean.'

H.M. battleship *Ocean*, which arrived from Malta this morning, has come along very quietly. So far as we have observed, no notice of her movements was recorded in any of the Colonies or Singapore newspapers.

The *Ocean* is a sister-ship to the *Glory* and *Gedink*, and will form a powerful addition to the British squadron in these waters. There are now five battleships, and it is believed the *Comet*, another sister-ship, is coming on to Hongkong.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

## A Fortent.

The Indian military authorities have asked the India Office for 20,000 lbs. of M. Caracoles' assorted meat rations in T. lb. and 2 lbs. tins, to be delivered as soon as possible. Is some frontier operation in the wind?

The following table gives the rainfall at the Observatory to the end of February, with the mean and extremes for 15 years:—

1884-98.  
10-1 Mean, Max. Min.  
January..... 63 1.75 8.43 0.00  
February..... 77 2.09 7.95 0.24

## Rainfall.

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## TELEGRAMS.

## [CHINA MAIL'S SPECIAL SERVICE.]

## THE EMPEROR WILLIAM.

[BY TELEGRAPH ARRANGEMENT WITH Der Ostasiatische Lloyd.]

BERLIN, March 11.  
The Emperor William is recovering from the effects of the assault made upon him at Bremen.

## HONOUR FOR SIR ROBERT HART.

The German Emperor has conferred upon Sir Robert Hart, Inspector General of the Imperial Chinese Maritime Customs, the Order of the Crown (first-class).

**DEATH OF AN IRONMASTER.**  
The death is announced of Baron Stumm, a Free Conservative Member of the



*Exclusives of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.*

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7. From Naval Yard to Blue Buildings.
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